

## MAILING ADDRESS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Please PRINT your name, address and identifying information clearly. This portion is used when mailing your certificate or correspondence.

AFS#: \_\_\_\_\_

SHADED AREA FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Surname		Given Name(s)	
Residential Address		City/Town/Village, Province/State, Country	
Postal/Zip Code	Home phone (include area code)	Work phone (include extension and area code)	
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize the Vital Statistics Agency to mail correspondence and/or legal documents to the person/organization listed below. (Authorization <u>required</u> if mailing address is different from residential address.)			
Company and/or Individual Name		Mailing Address	
City/Town/Village, Province/State, Country		Postal/Zip Code	

Upon acceptance of your application, a search of all British Columbia marriage records created after your 15th birthday is undertaken. The results of this search are provided to you in certificate form.

**NOTE:** The Vital Statistics Agency only maintains records of events that take place in British Columbia. Each province and territory of Canada maintains its own records.

**Complete the following information in full:**

<b>BIRTH</b>	<b>Your Birth Details</b>	Surname (as listed on current birth or change of name certificate - <b>not</b> a surname assumed after marriage)			Sex
	<b>Given Name(s)</b>	First Middle Name(s)			
	<b>Birthplace</b>	City/Town/Village		Province/State	Country
	<b>Birthdate</b>	Month (abbreviated e.g. FEB) MMM	Day DD	Year YYYY	

**If previously married in British Columbia, provide the following details:**

<b>Your Name at Time of Marriage</b>	Surname		Given Name(s)	
<b>Date &amp; Place of Marriage</b>	Month (abbreviated e.g. FEB) MMM	Day DD	Year YYYY	City/Town/Village
<b>Your Name at Time of Marriage</b>	Surname		Given Name(s)	
<b>Date &amp; Place of Marriage</b>	Month (abbreviated e.g. FEB) MMM	Day DD	Year YYYY	City/Town/Village

Search of British Columbia Marriage Records - \$50.00 (Processing time is approximately 2 - 5 business days.)

**ELIGIBILITY:** Only the individual themselves, or an individual to whom they have provided written consent to apply on their behalf, may make application for a search of marriage records in their name.

Your Signature: **X** \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT METHOD

- Cheque or Money Order payable to the Minister of Finance. (Postdated cheques are not accepted.)
  - Credit Card: Please bill my:  Visa  MasterCard  American Express
- Interac/Cash payments can be made in person at a Service BC Centre. Visit [www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca](http://www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca) to find a location near you.**

Card holder name: \_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT card holder name as shown on credit card

Card holder signature: **X** \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Credit card information is not retained. Upon authorization of the payment request, all credit card information is destroyed.

## GENEALOGICAL SEARCH OF MARRIAGE RECORDS, Also Known As AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY/FREEDOM TO MARRY/MARITAL STATUS

Marriages performed abroad are done so in accordance with the laws of that country. Some foreign countries require non-residents to provide a document confirming that they are eligible to marry. The requested documentation may be an affidavit or certificate issued from the province/state where the individual resides confirming that the individual is not currently married.

While the Vital Statistics Agency cannot confirm marital status, we can search B.C. marriage records from an individual's reported 15<sup>th</sup> birthday to the date of application and provide the search results in certificate form. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that this service is what they require. *Once a search is completed, there is no refund of the \$50.00 fee.*

**To view a sample of the information provided, visit our web page at:**

[www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/marriage/search-of-marriage-records-to-prove-freedom-to-marry](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/life-events/marriage/search-of-marriage-records-to-prove-freedom-to-marry)

### TO AVOID DELAY

- Complete all sections in full.
- Pay in Canadian funds using one of the options below:
  - Cheque or money order in made payable to Minister of Finance. Postdated cheques are **not** accepted. (A service charge of \$30.00 is levied on all cheques not honoured by the payee's financial institution.)
  - Credit card (complete the credit card portion on the front of this form).
  - Interac/Cash payments can be made in person at a Service BC office. Visit [www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca](http://www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca) for a location near you.
- **NOTE:** Do **not** send cash through the mail. *It is against postal regulations to send cash through the mail.*
- Make sure your address and telephone number are correct and are written clearly. To authorize the Vital Statistics Agency to send correspondence and the requested documents to a mailing address that is different from your residential address, you MUST check the box and provide your signature beside the statement provided on page one. **Without authorization, we cannot process your request.**

### FEES

- The fee for each search performed is \$50.00(CAD). Courier delivery is **not** available.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**Mailing Address:** Vital Statistics Agency, PO Box 9657 Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9P3  
**Telephone:** 250 952-2681 (Victoria & Outside B.C.), 1 888 876-1633 (within B.C.)  
**Web:** [www.gov.bc.ca/vitalstatistics](http://www.gov.bc.ca/vitalstatistics)

Apply for services in person at any Service BC Centre. Visit [www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca](http://www.servicebc.gov.bc.ca) for your nearest location.

### FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY

This information is collected by the Vital Statistics Agency under section 26(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and will be used to fulfill the requirements of the *Vital Statistics Act* for the release of marriage information. Should you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact:

Manager, Vital Statistics Agency, 250 952-2681, PO Box 9657 Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9P3.